HWY 5 / SHEPARD RD ACCESS OPTIONS STUDY

Open House April 23, 2015

INTRODUCTION TO THE TEAM

- Community Advisory Group
- Technical Advisory Committee, including:
- City of Saint Paul staff and Consulting team

HISTORY OF PLANNING: TIMELINE

2000

- Riverview MIS recommendation
- City of Saint Paul funding

2010

Saint Paul Comprehensive Plan

2013

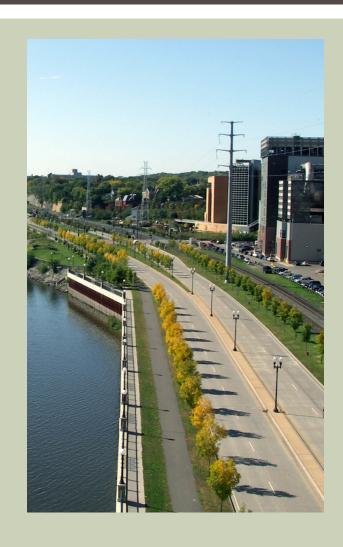
• Great River Passage Plan

2015

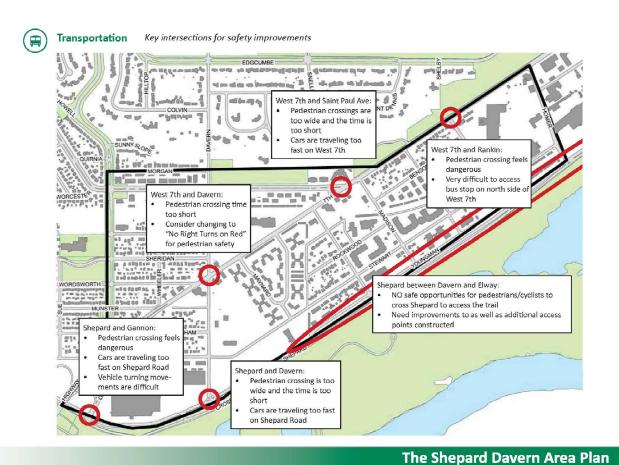
- Shepard Davern Plan
- Riverview Corridor PPD: ongoing
- Redevelopment planning for former US Bank site
- Access Options Study for Hwy 5/Shepard Road

CITY OF SAINT PAUL COMPREHENSIVE PLAN (2010)

- Transportation Strategies:
 - Provide a Safe and Well-Maintained System
 - Provide Balance and Choice
 - Support Active Lifestyles and a Healthy Environment
 - Enhance and Connect the City
- Recommended Project
 - Design and construct improvements for the West Seventh streetscape and pedestrian areas, realignment of Edgcumbe Parkway and upgrades to Davern Street



SHEPARD DAVERN PLAN (2015)



- Pedestrian crossings difficult on both West 7th and Shepard Road
- Cars are traveling too fast on both West 7th and **Shepard** Road

An Update to the 2007 D15 Plan - page 10

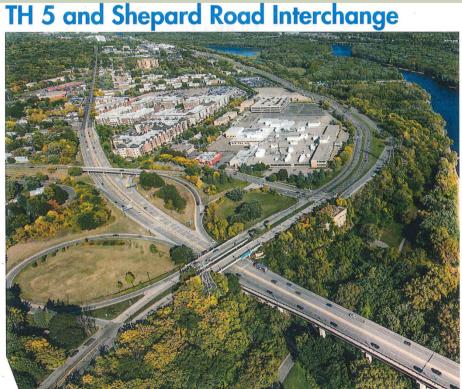
GREAT RIVER PASSAGE PLAN (2013)



ACCESS OPTIONS STUDY

Goal: to improve accessibility in the neighborhood, to balance traffic volumes between West 7th and Shepard Road, and to improve the Gateway to Saint Paul

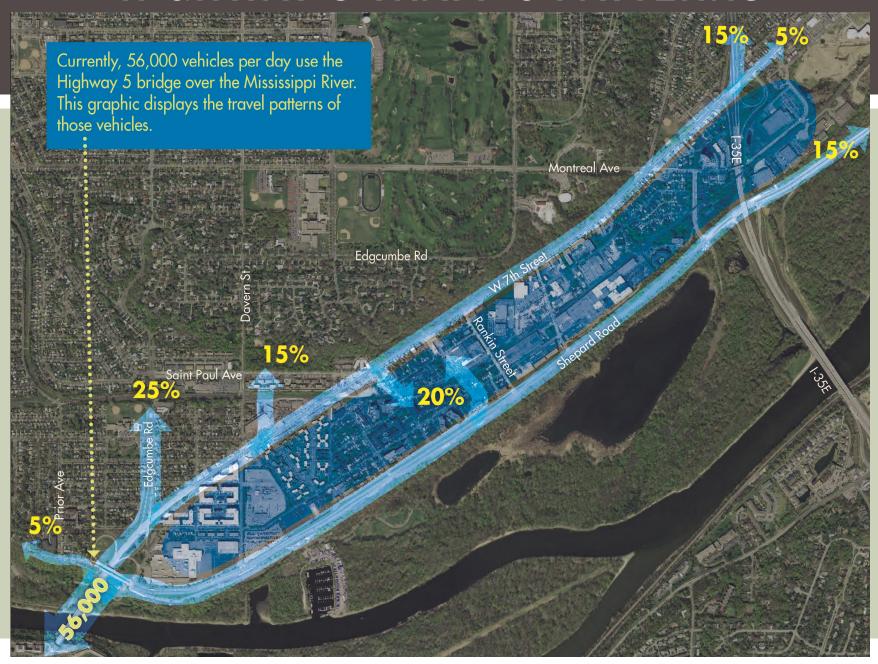




PROJECT CONTEXT



HIGHWAY 5 TRAFFIC PATTERNS



ACCESS OPTIONS STUDY PROCESS

Consulting team engaged

- Data collection
- Origin-destination data
- Preliminary discussions with staff and regional agencies

Community input solicited for review criteria

- Open House
- Online Engagement
- Community Advisory Group

Review criteria finalized

- Drafted using community input and Technical Advisory Committee review
- Finalized with Community Advisory Group

Alignment alternatives developed

- · Based on achieving the main goals of the study
- Vary from low-build to more construction-intensive options

Alignment alternatives reviewed

- Technical staff and community review (including CAG)
- Second round of community input solicited

Recommendations made

- Recommendations sent to the Transportation Committee
- Transportation Committee recommends to Planning Commission
- Planning Commission recommends to City Council for resolution

UPCOMING MEETINGS

- Monthly meetings for the CAG
 - Meetings will be open to the public and advertised online
 - Next meeting: end of May, date TBD
- Additional Open Houses/Public Meetings
 - One to review a short list of alignment options
 - One to review final recommendation to the Planning Commission
- Visit us online at www.stpaul.gov/hwy5study
- Project staff will come to YOU!

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